

undivided interest in the Navajo Indian allotted land covered under the lease or agreement.

(B) DETERMINATION OF AMOUNTS DISTRIBUTED.—The amount of the proceeds under subparagraph (A) distributed to each owner under that subparagraph shall be determined in accordance with the portion of the undivided interest in the Navajo Indian allotted land covered under the lease or agreement that is owned by that owner.

FUGITIVE APPREHENSION ACT OF 2000

THURMOND (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 4020)

Mr. DEWINE (for Mr. THURMOND (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. LEAHY)) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 2516) to fund task forces to locate and apprehend fugitives in Federal, State, and local felony criminal cases and give administrative subpoena authority to the United States Marshals Service, as follows:

On page 14, beginning with line 21, strike through page 15, line 20 and insert the following:

“(3) NONDISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraphs (1) and (2), the Attorney General may apply to a court for an order requiring the party to whom an administrative subpoena is directed to refrain from notifying any other party of the existence of the subpoena or court order for such period as the court deems appropriate.

“(B) ORDER.—The court shall enter such order if it determines that there is reason to believe that notification of the existence of the administrative subpoena will result in—

“(i) endangering the life or physical safety of an individual;

“(ii) flight from prosecution;

“(iii) destruction of or tampering with evidence;

“(iv) intimidation of potential witnesses; or

“(v) otherwise seriously jeopardizing an investigation or undue delay of a trial.

On page 16, line 9 insert “, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury,” after “eral”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the Federal sugar program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000 at 9:30 a.m., in open session to consider the nominations of Mr. Donald Mancuso to be Inspector General, Department of Defense; Mr. Roger W.

Kallock to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Material Readiness; and Mr. James E. Baker to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., on broadband issues.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26 at 9:30 to conduct an oversight hearing. The committee will receive testimony on Natural Gas Supply.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, at 9:00 a.m., Hearing Room (SD-4006), to consider the following items:

1. S. 2417, Water Pollution Program Enhancements Act of 2000, with a manager's amendment;

2. S. 1109, Bear Protection Act of 1999;

3. S. 2878, National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial;

4. GSA FY 2001 Construction authorizations (including courthouses);

5. Namings: H.R. 1729, Pamela B. Gwin Hall, Charlottesville, Virginia; H.R. 1901, Kika de la Garza United States Border Station, Pharr, Texas; H.R. 1959, Adrian A. Spears Judicial Training Center, San Antonio, Texas; and H.R. 4608, James H. Quillen United States Courthouse, Greeneville, Tennessee.

6. Nominations: a. Arthur C. Campbell, Assistant Secretary for Economic Development, The Department of Commerce; b. Ella Wong-Rusinko, Alternate Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission; and

7. A study resolution to approve a Natural Resources Conservation Service flood control dam in Warren, Minnesota.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the Session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000 for a public hearing to consider the nominations of Robert S. LaRussa to be Under Sec-

retary for International Trade, Department of Commerce, Ruth M. Thomas to be Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of the Treasury; and Lisa G. Ross to be Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, at 11 am to hold a business meeting (agenda attached).

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000 at 10 a.m. for a hearing regarding S. 1801, the “Public Interest Declassification Act.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Subcommittee on Public Health, be authorized to meet for a hearing on “Health Disparities: Bridging the Gap” during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on The Americans with Disabilities Act: Opening the Doors to the Workplace during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, at 2 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, July 26, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. in room 485 of the Russell Senate Building to mark up pending legislation to be followed by an oversight hearing, on the Activities of the National Indian Gaming Commission; to be followed by a legislative hearing on the S. 2526, to reauthorize the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, July 26, 2000 at

2:30 p.m. in room 485 of the Russell Senate Building to conduct a hearing on the S. 2526, to reauthorize the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., in 226 Dirksen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, to markup S. 1594, "Community Development and Venture Capital Act of 1999," and other pending matters. The markup will begin at 9:00 a.m. in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC LANDS

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Lands of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct an oversight hearing to receive testimony on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement implementing the October 1999 announcement by President Clinton to review approximately 40 million acres of national forest lands for increased protection.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, July 26 at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a legislative hearing followed by an oversight hearing. The subcommittee will receive testimony on S. 2877, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River basin, Oregon; S. 2881, a bill to update an existing Bureau of Reclamation program by amending the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956, to establish a partnership program in the Bureau of Reclamation for small reclamation projects, and for other purposes; and S. 2882, a bill to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies to augment water supplies for the Klamath Project, Oregon and California, and for other purposes. The subcommittee will then receive oversight testimony on the status of the Biological Opinions of the National

Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the operations of the Federal hydropower system of the Columbia River.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent for Jim Worth of my office to be granted the privilege of the floor for the rest of the week.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON CALENDAR

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following nominations and that they be placed on the executive calendar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations are as follows:

Edward E. Kaufman, of Delaware, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2003. (Reappointment)

Alberto J. Mora, of Florida, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2003. (Reappointment)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, on behalf of the leader, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nomination on the executive calendar: No. 524.

I further ask unanimous consent that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements relating to the nomination be printed in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination was considered and confirmed, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Mildred Spiewak Dresselhaus, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Science, Department of Energy.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1999

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 714, S. 1586.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1586) to reduce the fractionated ownership of Indian Lands, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment:

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

S. 1586

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Indian Land Consolidation Act Amendments of 2000".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) in the 1800's and early 1900's, the United States sought to assimilate Indian people into the surrounding non-Indian culture by allotting tribal lands to individual members of Indian tribes;

(2) as a result of the allotment Acts and related Federal policies, over 90,000,000 acres of land have passed from tribal ownership;

(3) many trust allotments were taken out of trust status, often without their owners consent;

(4) without restrictions on alienation, allotment owners were subject to exploitation and their allotments were often sold or disposed of without any tangible or enduring benefit to their owners;

(5) the trust periods for trust allotments have been extended indefinitely;

(6) because of the inheritance provisions in the original treaties or allotment Acts, the ownership of many of the trust allotments that have remained in trust status has become fractionated into hundreds or thousands of interests, many of which represent 2 percent or less of the total interests;

(7) Congress has authorized the acquisition of lands in trust for individual Indians, and many of those lands have also become fractionated by subsequent inheritance;

(8) the acquisitions referred to in paragraph (7) continue to be made;

(9) the fractional interests described in this section provide little or no return to the beneficial owners of those interests and the administrative costs borne by the United States for those interests are inordinately high;

(10) in *Babbitt v. Youpee* (117 S.Ct. 727 (1997)), the United States Supreme Court found that the application of section 207 of the Indian Land Consolidation Act (25 U.S.C. 2206) to the facts presented in that case to be unconstitutional, forcing the Department of the Interior to address the status of thousands of undivided interests in trust and restricted lands;

(11)(A) on February 19, 1999, the Secretary of Interior issued a Secretarial Order which officially reopened the probate of all estates where an interest in land was ordered to escheat to an Indian tribe pursuant to section 207 of the Indian Land Consolidation Act (25 U.S.C. 2206); and

(B) the Secretarial Order also directed appropriate officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs to distribute such interests "to the rightful heirs and beneficiaries without regard to 25 U.S.C. 2206";

(12) in the absence of comprehensive remedial legislation, the number of the fractional interests will continue to grow exponentially;

(13) the problem of the fractionation of Indian lands described in this section is the result of a policy of the Federal Government, cannot be solved by Indian tribes, and requires a solution under Federal law.